

U.S. Hose Company No. 14  
423 Buttonwood Street  
Philadelphia  
Philadelphia County  
Pennsylvania

HABS No. PA-1804

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WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

Historic American Buildings Survey  
National Park Service  
Department of the Interior  
Washington, D.C. 20240

ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE	COUNTY	TOWN OR VICINITY
PENNSYLVANIA	PHILADELPHIA	PHILADELPHIA
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME)		HABS NO.
UNITED STATES HOSE COMPANY No. 14		PA-1804
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES)		
423 Buttonwood Street		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE)	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE)	
1845	William L. Grubb, carpenter.	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE)		
A Greek Revival volunteer firehouse. It is similar in scale and design to other small firehouses of the mid-19th century.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS)		
Stucco on brick.		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE)		
Approx. 20' (three-bay front) X 50'; three stories (originally with square frame observation tower).		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE		
Recessed second-story front porch with Doric columns and railing with the words, "United States". First floor front elevation had a center appartus doorway and side doors with flanking marble columns. Third-story center niche originally contained a sculpture of a water pump. A parapet was originally on the roof.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED)		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE		
The Library Company of Philadelphia has a historical lithograph of the firehouse. This lithograph is also seen in Nicholas B. Wainwright's 1958 book, <u>Philadelphia in the Romantic Age of Lithograph</u> .		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.)		
COMPILER, AFFILIATION		DATE
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